

The Hongkong Telegraph.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 1892.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....\$1,000,000

Subscribed Capital.....\$500,000

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Court of Directors—

D. GILLES, Esq., Chow Tung Shang, Esq.

Chen Kit Shan, Esq., W. Wotton, Esq.

C. J. Hirst, Esq., Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.

Chief Manager,

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN
LONDON—

THOMAS CARMICHAEL, Esq.—Messrs. Dent & Palmer & Co.

JOHN BUTTERY, Esq.—Messrs. John Buttery & Co.

C. B. STUART-WORTLEY, Esq., M.P., for Hallam.

GEO. MUNRO, Manager.

BANKERS:

The Alliance Bank (Limited).

The Commercial Bank of Scotland.

Yokohama—D. FRASER, Manager.

Shanghai—C. J. GALLOWAY, Manager.

Amoy—J. ANDERSON, Manager.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened. Money received on Deposit. Drafts issued. Bills purchased and collected. Advances made on Securities or goods in neutral Godowns. Usual Bank Agency business undertaken.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS 2 "

For Rates of Interest for other periods apply to the Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1892.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation, will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of August, current, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Account to 30th June, 1891.

By Order,

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

A GENERAL MEETING of the above ASSOCIATION, will be held at the Chambers of the Hon. Secretary, 18, Bank Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 12th instant, at 4.15 P.M., to discuss, and, if approved, adopt the following Amendment to Rule 5: "Candidates elected after 10th June in any year shall only be liable for half subscription for that year."

ED. ROBINSON,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong, 10th August, 1892.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company, No. 14, Praya Central, on MONDAY, the 22nd August, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 30th June, 1891.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to 2nd of August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors:

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Imports.

£1,000 STG. Payable at Age 55, or at death if previous—may be secured by a payment at the rate of—

£7 7 6 (n.b.)20

£8 14 225

£10 11 230

£13 4 1035

£17 15 840

£27 12 645

After the Policy has been three years in force—the Policy-holder will be entitled to receive on application a Free Paid-up Policy for proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in Prospectus, should he wish to discontinue payment of premiums.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents, Hongkong.

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

THE SINGAPORE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

APPLICATIONS for the post of SECRETARY, which will be VACANT towards the end of the year, are invited. A thorough practical knowledge of FIRE and MARINE Business is necessary.

Singapore, 14th July, 1892.

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on favourable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal to that paid by the local Offices.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Agents.

No. 2, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, and April, 1892.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE: QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1892.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL, 1 TAEL.....\$60,000.

EQUAL TO.....\$15,000.

RESERVE FUND.....\$20,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq., Lo Yuen Moon, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., take all CURRENT RATES in all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE: 5 & 6, MCCAUGHEY WEST, Hongkong, 1st December, 1892.

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DAKIN, CRICKSHANK &
CO., LIMITED.
CHEMISTS, &c.

INDIAN CIGARS.

IT is not long since the only **INDIAN CIGAR** obtainable was the long, rank, salpereered "TRICHI," but within the last few years the introduction of European capital and European business methods have been employed with most satisfactory results. Messrs. SPENCER & Co.'s factory at Dindigul is a model of what a well-appointed Cigar Factory should be, and their products are winning appreciation wherever introduced. We are appointed Agents and have received a first consignment of their most popular brands.

"GOLD MOHURS."

These are manufactured entirely of picked Dindigul Leaf, and are of medium strength. Boxes of 100—\$1.75.

"TORPEDOS" AND "BEACONSFIELDS" are mild Cigars made of a mixture of Dindigul and Sumatra Leaf, and smoke with a Long White Ash, the flavour is like that of the best brands of Cuban Cigars.

Boxes of 100—\$2.75 & \$3.00.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1892. [30]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
AERATED WATERS.

GINGERADE.

GINGER ALE.

LEMONADE.

LEMON SQUASH.

LITHIA WATER.

PHOSPHORIC CHAMPAGNE.

POTASH WATER.

RASPBERRYADE.

SARAPARILLA.

SELTZER WATER.

SODA WATER.

TONIC WATER.

IN the Manufacture of these Waters the purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness exercised throughout. The water used is subjected to a perfect system of filtration, daily examinations and periodically to searching chemical analyses; so that absolute purity and safety are guaranteed.

FOR COAST PORTS.

Waters are packed and placed on board at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Packages and Empties when returned in good order.

SUMMER BEVERAGES.

FRUIT CORDIALS—Raspberry, Strawberry, Lime, Damson, Black Currant, Red Currant, Pine Apple, Orleans Plum, Morello Cherry and Gooseberry.

FRUIT SYRUPS—Lemon, Lime Juice, Raspberry, Strawberry, &c.

Prepared from genuine fruit juices imported by ourselves, they contain the full flavour of the sound ripe fruit; mixed with plain or Aerated Water, they make delightful summer drinks.

Agents for

MONTSERRAT LIME JUICE & CORDIAL.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Ports, Sherrys, Jarets, Burgundies, Hocks, Champagnes, Brandies, Whiskies, Gin, Rum and Liqueurs.

A large selection of choice old brands.

Full particulars and prices on application.

TOBACCO, CIGARS AND CIGARETTES.

A complete stock of all the best and most popular brands.

VIN DE QUINQUINA.

A medicinal wine **AGREEABLE TO THE TASTE** containing the valuable properties of Cinchona Bark combined with a choice brand of Red Wine.

Its powerful antifebrile qualities tend to ward off attacks of Malaria fever and to all convalescents it acts as a quick restorative and appetizer.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED AD. 1841.

Hongkong, 21st July, 1892.

For Sale.

NOW READY.

[PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.]

THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST

FOR 1892.

THIS Valuable Work, with many NEW ADDITIONS and IMPROVEMENTS, IS NOW READY.

PRICE THREE DOLLARS.

Orders for Copies of THE "HONGKONG DIRECTORY" may be sent to the following Agents:

HONGKONG.—Mr. W. Brewster.

Messrs. F. Blackhead & Co.

" " " Mr. Heuerhahn & Herff & Co.

" " " Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited.

" " " Messrs. Lewis, Crawford & Co.

" " " The Hongkong Trading Co., Ltd.

" " " Mr. M. Y. Tong, (Hollywood, Road.)

MACAO.—Messrs. A. A. de Mello & Co.

AMOY.—Messrs. N. Mello & Co., Ltd.

FOOCHOW.—Mr. H. W. Churchill.

SHANGHAI.—Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited.

EMPIRE PORTS.—Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Limited.

JAPAN.—Yokohama.

BANGKOK.—The "Siam Free Press" Office.

SINGAPORE.—Messrs. Sayle & Co., Limited.

PARIS.—Messrs. Andre & Prince & Co.,

LONDON.—" " "

or to

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" Office.

Poole's Hill,

Hongkong, January 21st, 1892.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 1892.

TELEGRAMS.

THE EMPEROR WILLIAM IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, August 11th.

The Emperor of Germany has arrived at Cowes.

MURDER OF THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR OF TASHKEND.

Cholera and riots have broken out at Tashkend; thousands of houses have been pulled down, including the house of the Deputy Governor, and this official is reported to have been murdered; the troops were called out and fired on the rioters, killing sixty and wounding about one hundred.

Tashkend is the chief town and military headquarters of Russian Central Asia, or Turkestan, in the province of Sogd Darya with a population estimated at one hundred thousand. By last mail addressed to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Daily Chronicle* it was stated that cholera was introduced into Russian Turkestan by fugitive Afghan nomads from the province of Herat, who endeavoured to escape the epidemic by fleeing into Russian territory.

THE HOUSE OF LORDS ON THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE LIBERALS.

August 9th.

The Duke of Devonshire stated that assurances were required that the Liberals would take no steps to evacuate Egypt without consulting Parliament.

Lord Herschell replied that his party would continue Lord Salisbury's foreign policy.

[Reuter seems to have forgotten that Mr. Gladstone's "no confidence" motion is now due, and would be of infinite more interest than all the Dukes and Lords in creation.]

(From Manila Papers.)

THE COLUMBUS ANNIVERSARY.

MADRID, August 5th.

In Huella has begun the festival of the commemoration of the discovery of America. The foreign squadrons are taking part.

FREE TRADE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The possibility of establishing free ports in the whole of Mindanao is under contemplation.

THE CHOLERA.

The cholera in Russia during July carried off 50,000 victims. In Paris last week 140 were attacked fatally.

THE STRIKES.

All the towns under state of siege on account of strikes have been released.

TYphoon in CHINA, SEA.

We are indebted to the Spanish consul for the following information received by wire from Manila:

MANILA, August 11th, 1892, 8.15 a.m.

Barometer 29.85, 29.82, 29.77, indicating probable depression in the China Seas.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

An interesting letter from Macao, and a mass of other news, is unavoidably held over.

THE SINGAPORE AUTUMN RACE MEETING.

The race meeting is advertised to take place on the 25th, 27th, and 29th October.

THE SUPREME COURT IS ABOUT TO REMOVE TO THE MASSON HALL DURING REPAIRS, AS MAY BE SEEN IN AN ADVERTISEMENT IN THIS ISSUE.

At a meeting of Royal Ark Mariners last night W. Bro. A. O'D. Gould was elected Commander N. Bro. Grimble treasurer, and Bro. Rauch tyler.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY SHOWS TOTAL ASSETS £7,585,865; DEATH CLAIMS DURING THE YEAR, £642,338; ANNUAL RECEIPTS, £1,006,720.

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A DENTIST of Moscow named Znamensky claims to have discovered a means of causing false teeth to grow to the gums as firmly as the ones nature provides; and it is asserted that he has performed several successful operations of this character, both on human and animal subjects, the animals used being chiefly dogs and cats. He is said to make holes in the teeth and also in the patient's jawbone. After this has been performed to his satisfaction the tooth is placed in the cavity. Within 24 hours a soft granular semi-foam exudes from the jawbone and finds its way into the hole which has been drilled into the false tooth. This granulated growth soon hardens and holds the tooth firmly in position.

THE ROYAL FAMILY is said to be very much in the damps over the defeat of the Marquis of Lorne. The Princess Louise, it is said, did not wish the Marquis to be a candidate, but when he put his name forward she wanted him to win. It was a bold undertaking, however, to out such a man as Lefever, who is not only popular, but possessed of wonderful personal energy, and when aroused, a most indefatigable antagonist. It is said that Queen Victoria herself was interested in the state of the polling that she was kept advised by telegraph of the progress of the contest.

THE SINGAPORE MASTERS and MATES' ASSOCIATION held its half yearly general meeting on the 23rd Inst. The report of the Committee states that "the Association has added its voice to the movement for the suppression of Sunday Labour in Harbour; it has brought the Members of the profession more together and discussed many matters of importance; it has secured a Legal Adviser, available for the Council or Defence of Members; it has opened negotiations with Hongkong, Penang, Shanghai and Australia, with a view to federation; and it has established a Room in the Marine Club where Merchant Officers can meet and transact business." The President, Capt. C. O. Madge, and the Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, Mr. Walter Makepeace, were re-elected.

THE STAMMERS-GENERAL WATKINS has issued another advertisement for bids, under the act of March 3rd, 1891, which provides for increased ocean mail service between the United States and all foreign countries, with the view to the increase of commerce. It is known that several steamship companies which did not bid for the service under the first advertisement are ready to do so under this one. Bids are asked for all of the routes, for which contracts were not let under the first advertisement, including those from New York to Liverpool, New York to Southampton, New York to Antwerp, New York to Buenos Ayres, New York to Rio, from New York to Rio, from New York to Turpan, New York to Havana, from New York to Santiago, Cuba, from San Francisco to Rio, to Hongkong, and from Mobile to Colon. This is an extensive addition to the existing mail arrangements.

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Columbia Club, of which he was at one time the most fleet-footed member.

Civil Service has leased the country place of Grosvenor P. Lowry at Pocantico Hills, Westchester county, N. Y., and intends to make it his permanent place of residence.

The Pope is said to be the richest man in Rome. He personally directs the financial transactions of the Church and even carries the key to his safe, which he keeps in his apartment.

James Richard Cooke, who graduated from the Boston University School of Medicine the week before last, is the first person totally blind from infarction to receive a degree as physician.

Professor John Bach McMaster has displayed his loyalty to the University of Pennsylvania by declining the Presidency of the University of Michigan, which is worth \$10,000 a year.

He was himself a teacher, as it well known, like William H. Scoward, John Adams, John Quincy Adams, Millard Fillmore, Lyman Trumbull, the ancestor of the Fosters and others.

For fifty-two years Miss Hannah Fairchild of Westcott, Conn., has been a member of the church and has not missed a service during that period. She is in her seventy-eighth year.

Matthew Arnold, when he was Professor of Poetry at Oxford, used to say to his class: "Please call me Mr. Arnold. I have always tried to stand by myself and to compromise others as little as possible."

King Malteos of Samoa is not paid his salary (\$15 a week) with regularity enough to keep him in fair financial condition, so he has been making his wife do washing for well-to-do white residents of Apia.

The health of Louis Kossuth, the Hungarian patriot, who lives at Turin, according to Hungarian papers, is excellent at the present time. He is obliged, however, to live regularly and dines on a guilty of no indirections.

Robert C. Winthrop of Massachusetts, the venerable ex-Speaker of the House of Representatives, has enjoyed the acquaintance of every President of the United States with the exception of Washington and Jefferson.

Sir James Alport, who died a few days ago, was the oldest railroad man in England in point of service. He began as a lamp-room porter and was at the head of the great Midland Railroad Company when he died.

Among the generous donors to the New York Grandmoument fund the name of William Waldo Astor appears for a subscription of \$10,000. His check is already in the Treasurer's hands.

Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe was 80 years old June 14th, and the anniversary was to be celebrated by the pupils and graduates of the Hartford Female Seminary, which was founded by Miss Beecher in 1827.

The Chinese Minister is the most expensively dressed man in Washington. He never appears more than once in the same costume, and it is supposed that he has \$10,000 worth of dry goods dedicated to his personal adornment.

To Chicago belongs the honor of being the dwelling-place of the first colored woman who ever produced and published a novel. Her name is Sarah E. Farro and she is twenty-six years old. The title of her book is "True Love."

Among the delegates elected to attend the Republican National Convention at Minneapolis is William Butler, of North Carolina. He is a son of Chang, one of the Siamese twins, whose strange deformity gave them a world-wide reputation.

W. M. Reason, stenographer of the Eighth Judicial District of Michigan, who recently wrote 324 words of unfamiliar matter from dictation in one minute, claims the championship. This is at nearly the rate of five and one-half words per second.

Mr. Dowling of Minneapolis, wears \$600 worth of artificial legs and arms. His left arm and both legs are gone, and all but the stump of his right thumb. Nevertheless he writes a good hand, gets about briskly, and does more business than many a whole man.

Queen Victoria celebrated her seventy-fourth birthday May 24th, and on the 20th of June she had reigned fifty-five years. Though not robust she is in excellent health, and gives every promise of competing the century as Empress and Queen.

The only soprano in the world who makes higher tones than Patti is said to be Miss Sibyl Sanderson, daughter of Judge Sanderson, of San Francisco. In addition to her musical powers, she is said to possess charms of person and to be very clever.

President Harrison, Grover Cleveland, and Franklin Pierce are said to have descended from colonists of Woburn, Mass., which is soon to celebrate its two hundred and fiftieth anniversary. The present and recent occupants of the White House will be invited to attend.

Chief Justice Fuller of the United States Supreme Court has taken out a permit to erect nine 3-story dwellings, to cost \$80,000, at Thirty-sixth street and Lake Avenue, Chicago. The ground to be covered by the new structures has long been occupied by the old Fuller family residence.

Investor Edison received in one instance a fee of \$10,000 for his opinion as an electrical expert. He was employed by the company organized to bore the Niagara power tunnel, to examine the ground, study conditions and plans and give an opinion as to the feasibility and practicability of the work.

Miss Paulina, a native of Queensland, Holland, is said to be the smallest human being in the world. She is nearly sixteen years of age, her height is eighteen inches and her weight seven pounds. Unlike most of the "midgets," she is remarkably pretty and accomplished, speaking four languages fluently.

There have been precocious young men in England who did not fail to the years advancing years come on. John Stuart Mill struggled with Greek verse at nine and Cardinal Newman at five was deep in Ovid, while the younger Pitt went up to the university at sixteen with a store of learning that amazed his tutors.

Fra Naumann-Gang, the prima donna of the Court Opera House in Weimar, has played for the last time. Fra Naumann-Gang is retiring from the stage because her son is destined for a military career, and the doors of a Prussian cadet school are closed to the sons of an actress who is still in active exercise of her profession.

Madame de Westenberg, the wife of the Minister from the Netherlands to Rome, was a Baltimore lady, who first met M. de Westenberg when he was Minister to this country. Madame de Westenberg is very attentive to American women visiting Rome, and both she and her husband are deservedly popular with people from the United States.

General Longstreet is now seventy-two years of age and a man of patriarchal aspect. His hair and whiskers are white as snow, his face ruddy, and his figure tall and erect. He is deaf, as the result of a bullet wound, and one of his arms is disabled. He lives a life of paternal simplicity, going to bed early, and rising early in the morning to walk in his vineyard.

Colonel Ingerson is getting to be an old man, and he shows it. His hair is perfectly white, and his round, smooth-shaven face is beginning to fill with wrinkles that alter the appearance that won him the title of "Baby-faced Bob." His shoulders show a tendency to stoop, and his spectacles are on his face more constantly than they were a few years ago. He is still, however, as quick on his feet as a boy kitten.

A famous beauty in Paris, the Comtesse de Castiglione, of whose indomitable, most fabulous charms, has lived for many years in the

closest seclusion in the heart of Paris. As soon as she saw the traces of fading charms in her face, she pulled down the Venetian shutters in her dwelling, and allowed no one to approach her. So long has she thus exiled herself from the world that many people believed her to be dead.

Mrs. Bettie Taylor Dandridge of Winchester, Va., is the daughter of President Zachary Taylor, and during his Presidency she was the lady of the White House. She was then the wife of Colonel Elias, U. S. A., after whose death she married Philip Dandridge, whom she survives. Mrs. Dandridge and Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnson, widow of Henry Johnson of Baltimore, are the only survivors of the long line of distinguished women who preceded over the White House previous to Grant's term.

During a portion of President Tyler's tenancy of the White House there presided over it as first lady of the land, stood by his side on reception days and sat at the head of the state at banquets, his daughter, Bettie Tyler. She married a Mr. Semple, a lawyer, in the navy. He has been dead many years; she is utterly penniless, and to-day at the age of eighty-two lives by the hand of charity at the Concord Home for aged women, an institution that is only twenty minutes' drive from the White House.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

It is said that in India the native barber will shave you when asleep without waking you, so light is his touch.

The yearly consumption of milk at the Hotel Metropole, London, is 75,000 quarts, and of water 20,000,000 gallons.

A fine has recently been imposed upon an English woman who permitted her two dogs to draw her baby-carriage on a public highway.

In the Old Testament, although great numbers of women are mentioned, there is but one—Sarah, Abraham's wife—whose age is recorded.

Siberia is one of the finest undeveloped countries in the world, and it is really difficult to exaggerate the enormous wealth of this gigantic region.

The Legislative Assembly of Styria, in Austria, has passed a law forbidding poor people to marry without a special license from the authorities.

A man living in New England who is 5 feet 6 inches in height has a beard 6 feet 3 inches in length, or 8 inches longer than himself. The beard began to grow 12 years ago. This puts Inspector Bremer in the shade altogether. Ed.

In the case of a humming-bird the sound is caused by the beating of the wings against the air. The hum or buzz of insects is produced by the under part of their hard wings, scraping against the edges of their blind legs, which are rigid like a saw.

An old Indian chieftain, La Pier, has in his possession a remarkable souvenir. It is a fawn of human hair, 50 feet long, and of variegated colors. A priest of one of the Indian missions says that it was made from the hair of wives and daughters of pioneers.

The people of no race have such persistent and deep-rooted carelessness in regard to human life as the Chinese. They are not only capable of committing suicide to spite an enemy, but they neglect the simplest precautions for preserving themselves from death.

Between the ages of 20 and 40 prisoners die of consumption much more rapidly than people outside of confinement, but whether this is owing to the confinement or to the previous lives of the convicts is not clear. Few criminals of any kind live to be old men.

A fowl's gizzard, where so many lost articles turn up, is a curious trap as well as a necessary vital organ of the fowl. Diamonds, pearls, coins, buttons, tacks, orange peel and about everything else save dynamite, have been found in the gizzard of fowls.

Mrs. Jacob Kitzchner, of Fort Dodge, Ia., is suing for a divorce on the ground that her husband would not let her kiss him and had killed her pet cat. Mr. Kitzchner alleged in reply that his wife was accustomed to kiss her cats, and had already kissed several to death.

The idea of a canal along the present route of the great Suez was considered practicable, and excavations were actually commenced upward of 2000 years ago, and in the time of the reign of Ptolemy Philadelphia, 233 years before Christ, the union of the two seas was perfected.

A society has been formed in London under the title of the "Witnesses' Protection Society." The objects of the association are to protect witnesses from insults by counsel, to put the matter of contempt of court into the hands of a jury, and to raise a fund to indemnify courageous witnesses from pecuniary loss.

Philip Billon, an old and impudent soldier, has been for more than two years in jail for debt in Elkhart, Ind. The debt for which he is impudent originated in a store bill contracted by his wife to pay which he borrowed money and gave his wife. He is sentenced to remain in prison until the debt is paid.

There comes from Sweden news of the construction of a locomotive steamboat. It was built for use on a chain of small lakes in Sweden which are separated by waterfalls, and to get around these the steamboat has been fitted with wheels like those of a locomotive, and on leaving the water runs smoothly along on the land on special tracks.

In Russian industrial establishments the difference in the working hours is something extraordinary, varying from six to 20. It is remarkable that these great divergences occur in the same branches of industry within the same inspector's district, and among establishments whose produce realizes the same market price.

Aunt Hattie Stroot of Harrington, Me., now 86 years of age, is the daughter of David Brown, who was three times married and was the father of 12 children. The last four of this interesting family were born at one birth and were named Europe, Asia, Africa and America, respectively. The quartet died in infancy and Aunt Hattie is the sole survivor of the 25.

An employee of Barnum and Bailey's circus stole a cage of lions the other day. While the circus was at York, Pa., he drove the cage aboard a train and started West with it to join a circus in Nebraska. A Chicago detective stopped him there and sent the lions, which were nearly starved, back to their owners. The value of the cage was \$3500.

The constant recourse of modern dramatists to-day to the French stage makes noteworthy the reminder that as recently as 1869 there was only one theatre open in Paris, the Hotel de Bourgogne at which Cornelia was first employed. His great play "Le Cid" was an adaptation from the Spanish, and gave rise to the proverb, "As beautiful as the Cid."

A large electric locomotive is now being built at Bern, Switzerland. It will be fitted with dynamo of a total of 1,000 horse-power, which power will be transmitted to eight electric motors arranged on the 16th number of axles. It is said that this locomotive will attain a higher speed than steam locomotives. Trial of its capabilities will be made this summer.

A commercial traveller at Kansas City, recently became suddenly deaf, dumb and blind. Surgeons examined him carefully, and decided that a clot of blood had formed on the brain. The clot was located, the mass prepared for an operation, and a trephination performed. As soon as a small portion of the skull was removed

Mrs. Gillett's senses returned to him one by one, leaving him as well as ever.

An account of a tree-climbing pig comes from Australia. For a number of years wild pigs have been very numerous in Queensland, and the theory is that the common pig has been changed, partly by necessities of his wild life, into the variety discovered. The fore feet are furnished with hook-like claws, but the hind ones with only two hooks upon each hoof. The tail is thick; about a foot long, and curled like the figure 8.

Quill pens are still much in use in Great Britain. A tradition exists in the law courts that no document would be strictly legal if written with any pen other than a quill. A similar tradition used, to obtain in parts of New England, and it is notable that Governor Russell of Massachusetts follows the precedent of his predecessors and signs all legislative bills with a new quill pen—used once for that purpose and never again.

Primitively man originally subsisted on a diet consisting purely of fruits and roots; but he soon became omnivorous from necessity, and his stomach readily adapted itself to every kind of food. If the Darwinian theory be accepted, and the descent of man from Simian ancestors be granted, we have further argument in support of the fact that flesh eating was the outcome of civilization and climatic necessity rather than of natural craving.

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Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this Day established myself as MERCHANT & COMMISSION AGENT.

Office, Connaught House.

J. J. RUBEN.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1892. [Advertiser.]

NOTICE.

I, THE Undersigned, intend to leave this Colony on or about the 18th instant.

During my absence Mr. K. A. CHINOV will conduct my Business and Sign for me and my Name.

A. H. CHINOV.

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Commercial.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Cathay*, with the outward English mail, left Singapore on the 9th instant at 6 p.m., and is expected here on the 14th.

THE AMERICAN MAILS.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Belgic*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, on the 26th ultimo.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Fern*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on the 4th instant.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver on Sunday, the 7th instant, for Yokohama, Kobe, Shanghai, and Hongkong.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The *Glen* line steamer *Glenearn* left Singapore on the afternoon of the 9th instant, and is due here on the 15th.

The Northern Pacific Co.'s steamer *Victoria* left England on the 8th ultimo, and may be expected here on the 15th instant.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Adam*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 10th instant at 10.30 a.m., and may be expected here on the 16th.

The Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Los Sos* left Tacoma on the 28th ultimo for Japan and Hongkong.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

HIROSHIMA MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,005, J. H. Pyne, 10th August.—Manila 6th August, Sugat.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

BENVENUTO, British steamer, 1,707, R. Thomson, 10th August.—Singapore 5th August, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

WUOTAN, German steamer, 1,016, A. Ott, 12th August.—Canton 6th August, General.

E-SANG, British steamer, 1,127, G. Payne, 9th August.—Swatow 8th August, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CANTON, British steamer, 1,101, F. H. Sellar, 12th August.—Shanghai 7th August, and Swatow 10th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FAME, British steamer, 1,177, Captain McIsaac, —Hongkong Government tender.

HAPING, French steamer, 874, Galli, 7th August.—Haliphong 5th August, and Hollow 6th, General—Messageries Maritimes.

HATTAN, British steamer, 1,182, F. D. Goddard, 7th August.—Foochow 4th August, Amoy 5th, and Swatow 6th, General—D. Lapraik & Co.

LENNOX, British steamer, 1,157, W. Ward, 10th August.—Moj 4th August, Coal—Dowdell, Carrill & Co.

LIGHTNING, British steamer, 1,124, J. G. Spence, 7th August.—Calcutta 20th July, and Singapore 1st August, Opium and General—D. Sasseen, Sons & Co.

LY-KE-MOON, German steamer, 1,235, G. Heyermann, 4th August.—Canton 4th August, General—Sleesman & Co.

NIZAM, British steamer, 1,611, F. N. Tillard, 8th August.—Borneo 22nd July, General—F. & O. S. N. Co.

ORIYA, British steamer, 1,110, J. M. Daly, 23rd May.—Singapore 16th May, General—Butterfield & Swire.

PATHAN, British steamer, 1,162, Wright, 6th August.—Moj 30th July, Coal—Dowdell, Carrill & Co.

PERA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, J. Fowler, 8th August.—Moj 2nd August, Coal—Sasseen, Sons & Co.

PILOT FISH British steamer, 161, A. Stopeni, —Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

RADNOVITSE, British steamer, 1,800, F. Davies, R.N.R., 7th August.—London, and Singapore 1st August, General—Dowdell, Carrill & Co.

PATHAN, British steamer, 1,162, Wright, 6th August.—Moj 30th July, Coal—Dowdell, Carrill & Co.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

BELGIC Tuesday, 20th August.

OCEAN (via Honolulu) Tuesday, 20th Sept.

GASCO (via Honolulu) Tuesday, 11th October.

DEPARTURES.

August 10, *Leysen*, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

August 10, *Sungkang*, British steamer, for Amoy, &c.

August 10, *Yankee*, French steamer, for Shanghai, &c.

August 11, *Yanting*, Chinese str., for Canton.

August 11, *Elo*, German steamer, for Amoy.

August 11, *Hoku Maru*, Japanese steamer, for Amoy, &c.

August 11, *Chusan*, German str., for Amoy.

August 11, *Tsung*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

August 11, *Blagno*, Italian steamer, for Singapore, &c.

August 11, *Glenfern*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.

August 11, *Kwai*, British steamer, for Swatow and Shanghai.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Benvensu*, str., from Singapore for Hongkong—90 Chinese. For Japan—Mr. Ford.

Per *Canton*, str., from Shanghai, &c.—30 Chinese.

Per *Kowshing*, str., from Manila—Messrs. C. Matil, Schow, Rodney, and 120 Chinese.

Per *Hillson*, str., from Tamsui, &c.—Mr. Y. Sato, and 111 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Yangtze*, str., from Hongkong for Shanghai—Mr. Allen. For Yokohama—Surgeon Colonel C. Stibbs and Mr. A. Gregory.

From Marseilles for Shanghai—Miss Crunell Colombo, Miss L. Hartmann, Messrs. E. Key, and T. Lippold. From Singapore—Mr. T. W. Haffenden. From Marseilles for Yokohama—General G. K. Gentaro, Messrs. Tamano and T. Gugeler. From Alexandria—Mr. Henzel. From Singapore—Messrs. T. van Schmid and M. Schmidt. From Saigon—Mrs. and Miss Assi, and Miss Laurette.

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Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/6
Credits at 4 months' sight 2/6
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/6

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Kowshing* reports that she left Manila on the 9th instant. Had fine clear weather and smooth seas.

The British steamship *Brennus* reports that she left Singapore on the 10th instant. Had light northerly winds and fine weather.

The British steamship *Canton* reports that she left Shanghai on the 7th instant, and Swatow on the 10th. Experienced fine weather and light variable winds throughout.

The British steamship *Hallong* reports that she left Tamsui on the 7th instant, Amoy on the 9th, and Swatow on the 10th. From Tamsui to Amoy had moderate south-west winds and fine clear weather. From Amoy to Swatow had light variable winds and thick hazy weather. From Swatow to port had light variable winds and fine clear weather. In Tamsui the steamships *Formentor* and *Smith*, in Amoy the steamships *Changchow*, *Newchow*, and *Protos*, in Swatow the steamships *Wosang*, *Lohong*, and *Taichow*.

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A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama—Per *Radermacher* to-morrow, the 12th instant at 11.30 A.M.

For Amoy—Per *Decima* to-morrow, the 12th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For Shanghai—Per *Decima* to-morrow, the 12th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Straits and Calcutta—Per *Lightning* on Saturday, the 13th instant, at 1.30 P.M.

For Amoy and Manila—Per *Lightning* on Saturday, the 13th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For Yokohama and Kobe—Per *Perseus* on Saturday, the 13th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For Straits and Bombay—Per *Wessex* on Tuesday, the 16th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

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For Foochow and Tientsin—Per *Nanchang* on Tuesday, the 16th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Singapore—Per *Ocean* on Thursday, the 18th instant, at 10.30 A.M.

For Europe, &c., India via Bombay—Per *Pembari* on Thursday, the 18th instant, at 11 A.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama—Per *Perseus* on Friday, the 19th instant, at 2 P.M.
For Yokohama, Honolulu, and San Francisco—Per *China* on Saturday, the 20th instant, at 10.30 A.M.

For *Perseus*, *China*, and *Protos*—Per *China* on Saturday, the 20th instant, at 10.30 A.M.

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